To: StClair, Christie[StClair.Christie@epa.gov]

From: McClain-Vanderpool, Lisa
Sent: Fri 8/14/2015 2:28:16 PM
Subject: ETA on announcement?

Christie - do you have a feel for when an announcement/release will go out this am?

Lisa McClain-Vanderpool

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From: StClair, Christie

Sent: Friday, August 14, 2015 8:26 AM

To: Stavnes, Sandra

Cc: Jenkins, Laura Flynn; Madigan, Andrea; Sisk, Richard; Piggott, Amelia; Stavnes, Sandra;

EOC Public Information; Press; McClain-Vanderpool, Lisa

Subject: Re: gold king mine owner interview

Please send any info to me. These need to go through the JIC. Thanks.

Christie St. Clair

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On Aug 14, 2015, at 7:27 AM, "Sandra Stavnes" < Stavnes. Sandra@epamail.epa.gov > wrote:

Andrea/Richard/Amelia. Can you confirm the accuracy of the claims below. I will be in Friday so please get back to me asap. Thanks. Sandy

Sent from my iPhone

On Aug 13, 2015, at 6:31 PM, Jenkins, Laura Flynn < Jenkins. Laura@epa.gov > wrote:

Can anyone confirm the accuracy of the claims made by the mine owner to CBS News?

Laura Jenkins

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From: Lee, Monica

Sent: Thursday, August 13, 2015 6:22 PM

To: Jenkins, Laura Flynn

Cc: Press

Subject: Re: gold king mine owner interview

I have no information on this, so we need to run our usually process. Should go to the jic and EOC simultaneously. Does anyone in the region have any background?

Monica Lee (202) 564-0645 (202) 713-6902 On Aug 13, 2015, at 8:16 PM, Jenkins, Laura Flynn < <u>Jenkins.Laura@epa.gov</u>> wrote: <image002.jpg> Monica: This isn't a request for an interview, rather, it's a request for confirmation of claims made to CBS News by the owner of the mine. I told Rick I would reach out to you for a response. Laura Jenkins Media Officer **USEPA-Region 8** 1595 Wynkoop St. Mailcode: 8-OC Denver, CO 80202 Landline: 303-312-6256 Cell: 202-360-8453 Fax: 303-312-6961 From: Sallinger, Rick [mailto:RSallinger@cbs.com] Sent: Thursday, August 13, 2015 5:28 PM To: Jenkins, Laura Flynn Subject: gold king mine owner interview

Laura,

In an interview Todd Hennis, owner of the Gold King mine stated

that the EPA forced him to open the mine to your agency four years

ago by fining him \$35,000 per day.

He also claimed that the water that came out of the Gold King

originated in the Sunnyside mine. He said this can be proven

with tests that show the mineral content of the water.

Please let me know the EPA response if any.

thanks,

Rick Sallinger

KCNC TV CBS 4 Denver

303-590-8944

From: Jenkins, Laura Flynn [mailto:Jenkins.Laura@epa.gov]

Sent: Thursday, August 13, 2015 2:20 PM

To: Sallinger, Rick Subject: GKM Link

http://www2.epa.gov/goldkingmine

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